



Regions Tradition

Greystone Golf & Country Club (Founders Course) | Birmingham, AL | May 3-9, 2021

Second-Round Notes

Friday, May 7, 2021

Course Setup: Par 72 / 7,117 yards (R1: 73.163; R2: 73.550; Cumulative: 73.356)

Weather: Mostly sunny skies with highs in the low 70s. Winds out of the N 10-18 mph.

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	Player	To Par	Scores
T1	Alex Cejka	-7	68-69- 137 (-7)
T1	Jerry Kelly	-7	67-70- 137 (-7)
T1	Steve Stricker	-7	68-69- 137 (-7)
T1	Darren Clarke	-7	66-71- 137 (-7)
T5	Dicky Pride	-6	69-69- 138 (-6)
T5	Ernie Els	-6	69-69- 138 (-6)
T5	Stephen Ames	-6	67-71- 138 (-6)

Quick Links:

- [Leaderboard](#)
- [Third-Round Tee Times](#) (Golf Channel coverage: 2:00 p.m – 4:30 p.m. CT)
- [PGATOURmedia.com](#) (transcripts and other resources available for download)

Note: *Lift, clean and place was in effect.*

Alex Cejka, 68-69 – 137 (-7)

- Cejka carded four birdies en route to finishing the second round with a 3-under 69.
- Through 36 holes, Cejka is the only player in the field to have just one bogey on his card (Rd. 2, No. 12)
- Cejka was first alternate this week and gained entry after Jay Haas withdrew from the field on Monday.
- He is making his third start on PGA TOUR Champions after successfully Monday qualifying for his prior two starts at the Cologuard Classic (T38) and Chubb Classic (T2).
- The T2 finish at last month's Chubb Classic earned him a top-10 spot into next week's Mitsubishi Electric Classic.
- A native of Czechoslovakia who grew up in Germany, Cejka would become the seventh international player to win the Regions Tradition in its 33-year history. He would join Miguel Angel Jimenez (2018), Bernhard Langer (Germany), David Frost (South Africa), Mark McNulty (Zimbabwe), Eduardo Romero (Argentina), and Graham Marsh (Australia).

Jerry Kelly, 67-70 – 137 (-7)

- Kelly hit 12 of 13 fairways and 14 of 18 greens en route to a 2-under 70 on Friday.
- The Wisconsin native is seeking his second consecutive major championship victory after winning the 2020 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS Championship.
- This is the third time he has led or co-led after the second round at a major championship: 2018 U.S. Senior Open Championship (T2) and 2020 Bridgestone SENIOR PLAYERS Championship (Win)
- This is Kelly's 16th major championship appearance since joining the Tour in 2017. In 15 starts he has placed in the top-five six times.
- Kelly is making his third start at the Regions Tradition with a best finish of T8 in 2018.

Steve Stricker, 68-69 – 137 (-7)

- With his 3-under 69 on Friday, Stricker extended his streak of consecutive sub-par rounds this season to 17, dating back to the Schwab Series at Bass Pro in August 2020.
- The defending champion is making his third start at the Regions Tradition and finished T2 to Miguel Angel Jimenez at the 2018 event.
- The 2021 Ryder Cup captain has won two of eight major championship starts on PGA TOUR Champions (2019 Regions Tradition, 2019 U.S. Senior Open Championship).
- With his 2019 victory, Stricker became the 11th 36-hole leader/co-leader to win the Regions Tradition.

Darren Clarke, 68-69 – 137 (-7)

- The Northern Ireland native finished T27 in his first appearance at the Regions Tradition in 2019.
- This is Clarke's sixth start at a major championship on PGA TOUR Champions and his best finish was T10 at the 2019 Senior Open Championship.
- Clarke won back-to-back starts earlier this season at the 2020 TimberTech Championship and 2021 Mitsubishi Electric Championship.
- His three PGA TOUR victories include the 2011 Open Championship at Royal St. George's Golf Club in Sandwich, England, site of this year's championship.

Other Notes

- Making his first start at the event, World Golf Hall of Fame member **Ernie Els** hit 15 of 18 greens in regulation on Friday en route to posting a 3-under 69.
- Alabama native **Dicky Pride** posted five birdies and an eagle on the par-5 No. 2 to finish with a 3-under 69 (T5) in the second round. Pride, who was born in Tuscaloosa and played golf at the University of Alabama, gained entry into the field via a sponsor exemption and is making his first appearance at the Regions Tradition.
- **Retief Goosen** (T12) and **Stephen Leaney** (T20) each posted 5-under 67, the lowest rounds of the day.
- The field includes eight past champions of the Regions Tradition, here is where they stand after 36 holes:
 - **Steve Stricker** (2019): T1 (-7)
 - **Bernhard Langer** (2016-17): T8 (-5)

- **Fred Funk** (2010, 2008): T45 (+4)
- **Miguel Angel Jimenez** (2018): T26 (+1)
- **Jeff Maggert** (2015): T56 (+5)
- **Kenny Perry** (2015): T24 (-2)
- **David Frost** (2013): T68 (+9)
- **Tom Kite** (2000): T68 (+9)